

CLAIMS

The invention claimed is:

1. A device for holding a bucket of chum submerged in water comprising:
  - a) a cylindrical containing component;
  - b) a circular bottom component permanently attached to a lower edge of said cylindrical containing component;
  - c) a toroidal sleeve fixedly located near an upper edge of said cylindrical containing component;
  - d) a drawstring cooperating with said upper edge of said cylindrical containing component, for pulling said upper edge closed and captivating said bucket of chum held within said device.
2. The device as defined in claim 1, wherein said cylindrical containing component is fabricated out of sheet material;  
wherein said sheet material is a rectangle having an upper edge, a lower edge and two side edges;  
wherein said upper edge of said sheet material is the upper edge of said cylindrical containing component;  
wherein said lower edge of said sheet material is the lower edge of said cylindrical containing component;  
wherein said sheet material has said two side edges stitched together;  
wherein said sheet material has a first plurality of orifices therein for permitting chum matter to pass through;  
wherein said sheet material has a second plurality of orifices in-line therein for cooperating with said drawstring threaded therethrough; and

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1 wherein said sheet material has a longitudinal area extending  
2 between said first plurality of orifices, and second plurality of  
3 orifices in-line, for fabricating said toroidal sleeve.

4 3. The device as defined in claim 2, wherein said toroidal sleeve is  
5 fabricated by stitching a first longitudinal edge of said  
6 longitudinal area and a second longitudinal edge of said  
7 longitudinal area, together.

8 4. The device as defined in claim 3, wherein said toroidal sleeve has  
9 a foam flotation element housed therein.

10 5. The device as defined in claim 4, wherein said sheet material is  
11 flexible plastic material.

12 6. The device as defined in claim 1, wherein said circular bottom  
13 component is fabricated out of sheet material having at least one  
14 orifice therein for permitting chum matter to pass through.

15 7. The device as defined in claim 6, wherein said circular bottom  
16 component is permanently attached by stitching near a circumference  
17 thereof and near said lower edge of said cylindrical containing  
18 component.

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20 8. The device as defined in claim 7, wherein a welting has edges sewn  
21 in between said circumference of said circular bottom component and  
22 said lower edge of said cylindrical containing component.

23 9. The device as defined in claim 8, wherein said sheet material is  
24 flexible plastic material.

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- 1 10. A method of fabricating a device for holding a bucket of chum  
2 submerged in water comprising the steps of:  
3 a) forming a circular bottom component;  
4 b) forming a rectangular sheet of material having a first  
5 plurality of orifices therein for permitting chum matter to  
6 pass through;  
7 c) forming an upper edge mechanism on said rectangular sheet of  
8 material for cooperating with a drawstring;  
9 d) forming a sleeve by stitching together, a first longitudinal  
10 edge and a second longitudinal, edge of a longitudinal area of  
11 said rectangular sheet of material, for housing a foam  
12 flotation element;  
13 e) forming a cylindrical containing component by stitching two  
14 side edges of said rectangular sheet of material together;  
15 f) attaching a circumference of said circular bottom component to  
16 a lower edge of said cylindrical containing component;  
17 g) inserting said foam flotation element into said sleeve;  
18 h) threading said drawstring through said upper edge mechanism.
- 19 11. The method of fabricating a device as defined in claim 10, further  
20 comprising the additional step of; attaching edges of a welting in  
21 between said circumference of said circular bottom component and  
22 said lower edge of said cylindrical containing component